

I'm sure is entered in good intent. I feel we've got this bill in good shape. I feel that the arbitration panel is something we are putting in place with this legislation that never before the consumer has had. I think it's stated, it allows the customer if he fails at the arbitration panel to go on to court. I think we should remember that a decision once rendered by the arbitration court which is in favor of the consumer is final. The manufacturer, at the conclusion of that arbitration conservation is, the decision that is rendered by the panel is final upon the manufacturer. If the customer doesn't like it he can go on to court. I do oppose Senator Chambers amendment and I hope you find cause to support that denial.

PRESIDENT: Chair recognizes Senator Howard Peterson.

SENATOR H. PETERSON: Mr. Chairman, I'd call the question.

PRESIDENT: The question is called. Do I see five hands? I do. The question is shall the House come under Call. . . excuse me, it's Tuesday, I guess all right. The question is shall debate cease. All those in favor vote aye, opposed vote nay. Have you all voted? The Clerk will record.

CLERK: 31 ayes, 0 nays, to cease debate, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: Debate is ceased. Senator Chambers may close.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. Chairman and members of the Legislature, I detect a defect in the reasoning of those who support the bill as it stands now. They don't want to make it optional for the consumer to participate but they don't want to make it mandatory for the manufacturer to have such a procedure. So Senator Wesely, Senator Goll, Senator DeCamp and others who are implying that it is such a good thing to have a dispute settlement procedure, why not make it mandatory in the State of Nebraska then for every manufacturer to participate in such a program. The way the bill is drafted, even if the Department of Motor Vehicles goes to the trouble of establishing the guidelines, no manufacturer is required to participate so you are not guaranteeing a lessening of litigation. What you are doing is putting it in the hands of the manufacturer as to whether or not there will be a dispute settlement procedure like this. If you have a consumer who wants to try to settle it, the manufacturer is not required to. So, if you are not willing to do this then it seems that what what you would have wanted to do was make it mandatory to have such a procedure in place.